

March 26, 1923. Proceeded to New Brunswick, N.J., and interviewed Mrs. Edwin Carpender.

I then went and interviewed Mr. R.W.J., for the purpose of securing the names of alleged Klu Klux members, and received the following information from him: - That sometime ago a letter was received by the Middlesex Hospital, New Brunswick, N.J., which contained Forty Dollars (\$40.00), and was signed, "Klu Klux." An investigation then started, and Mr. R.W.J. informs me that the following names are supposedly members of the Klan, but it is his real belief that there is nothing to it. This must be kept confidential. --

Mr. Bedford, Highland Park, New Brunswick, N.J. - Is supposed to be the Chief of Police there.

Mr. Frank Merritt, New Brunswick, N.J., who is a live Mason in New Brunswick, and either works, or has an iron plant on Water St., New Brunswick, N.J.

Mr. Henry Herbold, #424 Heraton Ave., Highland Park, New Brunswick, N.J. a plumber.

Mr. Fred Gown, New Brunswick, N.J., Assistant Deputy Sheriff.

Mr. Adrian Vermiali, who lives near the Bridge on River Road, New Brunswick, N.J.

Mr. W.H. Paynter, who had been working at Johnson & Johnson in the Industrial Research Department as an Engineer and who lived in a boarding house next door to the Church at the time of the Hall Mills Murder happened. This boarding house had a reputation as being a peculiar place.

Rumor is that, Mr. Wyckoff, the Sheriff is one.

I then interviewed Mrs. Hopkin, of #186 George St., New Brunswick, N.J., who said that a couple by the name of Joseph Taylor and Elizabeth Tomer, who live at 184 George St., New Brunswick, N.J., were married on Sept. 9, 1922. My reason for securing this information is to establish the date of one of the notes found by the bodies, in which it said, "The people living next door to Hopkins, are queer people, and they were married yesterday."

I also interviewed Jim Mills, who informed me that he knows who put the job up on him; that he is a detective, but Jim would not give me his name. Jim said he wrote this detective a letter that would make the detective worry. He said he was sure I had nothing to do in this matter, that he did not accuse me - The only thing he had against me was that I made inquiries from Burns' house as to the hour his boy, Danny, arrived home - After I explained to him, he was satisfied.

Jim Mills then told me about the Hindu coming to his house, and how hurriedly he left because he (Jim) tried to get a special officer to place him under arrest. Jim said that he has a high Official interested, who is advising him; but he would not give the name of the Official. Jim also said that he could prove through a woman who had clothes out upon the line, or was hanging out her wash, that she saw him out on the back-porch at about 8.50 p.m. He said it would be a good thing to work on Gorsline, as Gorsline was no good. Also that he (Jim) would be willing to let me have information after his friend had it first, and that if he knew who it was who killed his wife he would kill them, as no Jury would convict him - That the people in Somerville, had practically laid down on the case, and were doing nothing; that in a short while he would go and see Governor Silzer about it, and that if he wanted to, he has got enough on the Somerset County Officials to drive them all out of office - Also, if I write to the publication, "Black Mark," there is an article written in there by Charles Somerville, in the latter part of February, which relates to the Hall-Mills Case, and says that neither Mr. Mills or Mrs. Hall had anything to do with the murder.

I then interviewed Mrs. Tennyson, a sister of Mrs. Eleanor Mills, who lives at #137 Albany St., New Brunswick, N.J. She said she knew Eleanor and Mr. Hall were meeting one another - That on one occasion while Mrs. Mills

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and Mr. Hall were out riding in the auto, they had some tire trouble and stopped to make repairs, and one of the Carpenters' happened to come along and saw them, and that a few days after Eleanor told Mrs. Tennyson that while she (Eleanor) was out with Mrs. Hall, they had tire trouble, and Mrs. Hall passed some remark in which she said, Eleanor knew how to repair tires; possibly alluding to the time when Eleanor was seen in the company of Mr. Hall by one of the Carpenters. Eleanor also told Mrs. Tennyson that at the time she was sick, Mr. Hall would visit her at the hospital generally from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., and would show much affection for her, so much so, that he was careful not to have Mrs. Hall call upon her (Eleanor) while he was there. Eleanor also told Mrs. Tennyson that the watch which Hall had (and which is now missing) was given to him by old Mrs. Stevens. She also tells about a trip between Mr. Hall, Eleanor and Mrs. Hall, at Green River, or some place with a similar name, where Mrs. Mills had her shoes and stockings off and was wading in the brook; Mr. Hall was about to photograph her in that position when Mrs. Hall reprimanded him for doing it.

Mrs. Tennyson also informed me that it would be wise to look up Henry and Jack Mills, as neither one had any use for Eleanor; that on one occasion Eleanor told her that Jack Mills had revolver in his house. Mrs. Tennyson also informed me that Mills' mother knew or suspected that there was an affair between Mr. Hall and Eleanor, for the reason that that Mrs. Mills told this to Mrs. Tennyson. Mrs. Tennyson said, "If you know, Mrs. Mills, why don't you go and speak to Eleanor?" Mrs. Mills answered, saying, "NO, I cannot talk to her, you know how she is."

Mrs. Tennyson said that she would not put it past Jim Mills to have committed this crime - She knows him to be a liar, as she has caught him in many lies. That repeatedly Eleanor had told Jim Mills that she had no use for

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him, and that she cared more for Mr. Hall's little finger than she did for his (Mills') entire body. Mrs. Tennyson also informed me that her sister, Mrs. Barnhardt, suspect Jim Mills. She also informed me that since she gave her testimony before the Grand Jury, no one has been to see her; this applies to the Authorities. She is willing to aid me in this matter as much as she can. She is going to try to secure further information as to Jack Mills having had a revolver.